

The Strategic National Stockpile (SNS)

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Disclaimer



What is the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS)?

- A national emergency repository of drugs, vaccine, and medical supplies managed by the CDC
- Intended to be deployed to states that experience a bioterrorism or chemical attack (can also be used to combat a naturally-caused health crisis)
- Once deployed, the SNS must be managed by the state (and/or handed off to locals)

What Does the SNS Consists of?

Part 1: Push Packages

Twelve identical caches of drugs and medical supplies available to arrive in-state at a designated facility within 12 hours of the federal approval of a state's request

- Cache in WA?????**
- Small team of advisors will be deployed as well**
- Shotgun approach; i.e., will contain many items we won't need**



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Part 2: Vendor Managed Inventory (VMI)

- **Additional quantities to arrive at a later time**
 - tailored to address the specific bug that we are trying to deal with.
 - will also be shipped to state-run RSS
- **Amounts to over 90% of the stockpile**
- **Think of a “bulge in the pipeline”**

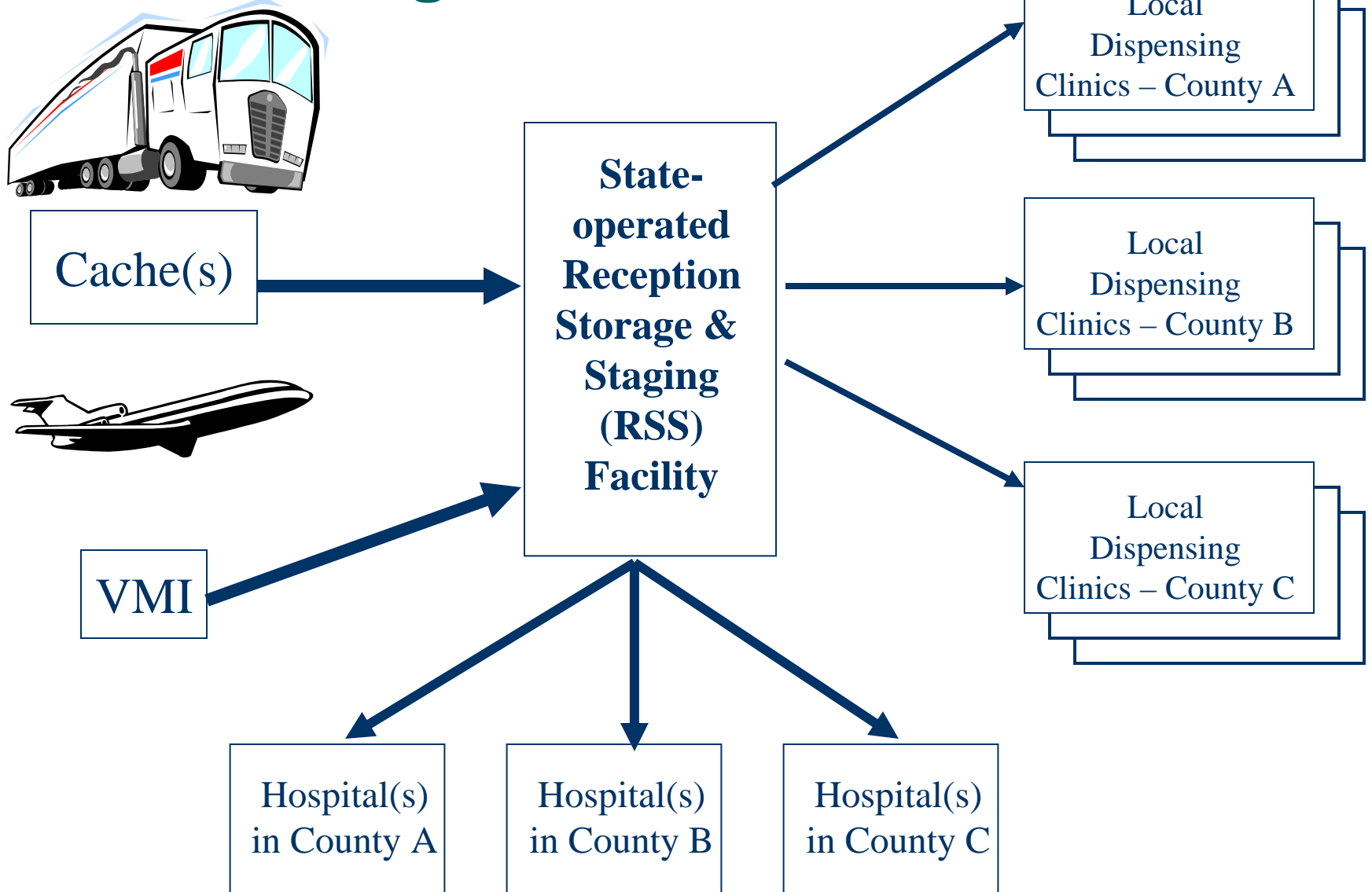
State Responsibilities

- **Assessing statewide capacity to deal with the event**
 - What pharmaceuticals do we have on hand?
 - Are they enough? Or, do we need the stockpile?
- **Formally request stockpile's deployment**
 - Must be from Governor or other pre-designated official
 - Unless disaster already declared, then thru State EOC
- **Receive the stockpile at RSS location**
- **Break-down and repackage the stockpile IAW state plan**
- **Distribute to local health officials IAW local plans**

Local Jurisdiction's Responsibilities

- **Initial Chemical and Biological response**
- **Assess local capacity to deal with the event**
- **Request materiel from the state**
- **Receive materiel from state**
- **Dispense to the patient/consumer**
 - **PH-run clinics**
 - **Hospitals**

How the SNS Would Get Distributed within Washington



State Agencies That May Need to Help

- General Administration
 - RSS Facility
 - Warehouse management expertise
- National Guard
 - RSS Facilities
 - Security?
- State Patrol
 - Facilitate over-the-road movement
 - Security

ChemPacks

- Forward-deployed chemical agent antidotes
 - Atropine, Diazepam, & Pralidoxime
 - Includes ancillary supplies
 - Requires constant environmental monitoring to qualify for Shelf-Life Extension Program
- Stored at/near hospitals and EMS agencies in three cities
- Program is now going nationwide
 - Washington piloted the program last year

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Flu Update



Flu Update

- About ½ of anticipated supply of vaccine had to be rejected
- Publicity about shortage has led to increased demand
- CDC able to find millions more doses, but not enough to meet demand
- Only most vulnerable are to be vaccinated
 - Elderly
 - Very Young
 - Healthcare workers

So now what?

- Cover your cough or sneeze
- Wash your hands frequently
- Stay home if you're sick
 - insist your co-workers do same

For more information:

<http://www.doh.wa.gov/FluNews/>

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/>